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- (a) whether Government are contemplating to constitute Himalayan State Council:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and how many States are to be included in this Council:
- (c) whether consent of all the proposed Himalayan States has been obtained in this regard; and
 - (d) if so, the nams of those States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO GAVIT): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Cases registered under SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act

- 2310. SHRI KAMALAKHTAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of cases different type registered under SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 the during the year of 2002, 2003, 2004 in Uttar Pradesh, particularly in Balia and Meerut district;
- (b) the details of the main complainants and defendants of 100 such cases registered;
 - (c) number of cases which went to courts during 2002, 2003, 2004;
- (d) number of such cases which have been disposed of by court till now; the number of cases registered and number of acquitals; and
- (e) number of such cases in which there have been correction (punishment and and number of cases pending in the court?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKARAO GAVIT): (a) As per statistics compiled by the National Crime Records Bureau, 2997, 1128 and 1264 cases of crime against SCs and STs were registered under SC/ST(POA) Act in Uttar Pradesh during 2002, 2003 and 2004 respectively. 14, 3 and 6 and 57, 32 and 47 cases were registered in Balia and Meerut respectively during the same period.

- (b) Such details are not maintained centrally.
- (c) to (e) A Statement showing number of cases sent to courts, number of cases disposed of by courts *i.e.*, number of cases convicted and acquitted and number of cases pending trial at the end of each year under SC/ST(POA) Act in Uttar Pradesh during 2002, 2003 and 2004 are given in the Statement.

Statement

Disposal of cases under SC/ST (PCA) Act in Uttar Pradesh during 2002 to 2004

| Year | Cases Pending Trial From Previous Year | Cases sent to Trial During the Year | Total Cases for Trial | Cases Convicted | Cases Acquitted | Cases Pending Trial |
|------|--|--|--------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 2002 | 18677 | 3087 | 21764 | 1394 | 1875 | 18220 |
| 2003 | 18220 | 944 | 19164 | 1163 | 1288 | 16499 |
| 2004 | 16499 | 1056 | 17555 | 1012 | 1262 | 15128 |

Source: Crime in India

Security clearance for foreign investments

2311. SHRI CHITTABRATA MAJUMDAR: SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether security concerns are taken into consideration while clearing foreign investment; and
 - (b) whether the security concerns are country specific or sector specific?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Certain proposals involving